

## Message Text

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ACTION IO-14

INFO OCT-01 AF-10 NEA-10 ISO-00 SOE-02 AID-05 CEA-01  
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R 051236Z MAR 78  
FM AMEMBASSY TEHRAN  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7272  
INFO AMEMBASSY PRETORIA  
AMCONSUL CAPETOWN  
USMISSION USUN NEW YORK

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FOR EMBASSY CAPETOWN

E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PORG, ENRG, RH, IR  
SUBJ: IRANIAN CRUDE EXPORTS TO SOUTH AFRICA

REF: A. USUN 708, B. TEHRAN A-39 (NOTAL), C. TEHRAN  
A-23 (NOTAL)

1. INFORMATION PROVIDED BY IRANIAN COST REP  
REGARDING BREAKDOWN OF IRANIAN CRUDE OIL EXPORTS  
TO SOUTH AFRICA GENERALLY ACCORDS WITH THE DATA  
OBTAINED BY THIS EMBASSY. ACCORDING TO OUR  
SOURCES, BOTH WITHIN AND OUTSIDE NIOC, THE SOURCE  
AND QUANTITIES OF CRUDE OIL EXPORTS TO SOUTH AFRICA  
IN 1977 WERE AS FOLLOWS: CONSORTIUM TRADING COMPANIES  
(I.E. ESFANDIARY'S MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS): 240  
MBPD; AND NIOC (FROM ITS SHARE OF IPAC PRODUCTION  
AND "STATED QUANTITY" OIL FROM THE KHUZESTAN FIELDS:  
40 MBPD.

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2. SOUTH AFRICA WAS IRAN'S SEVENTH LARGEST CRUDE  
OIL MARKET IN 1977 AND ACCOUNTED FOR ALMOST SIX  
PERCENT OF TOTAL IRANIAN CRUDE EXPORTS.

3. NIOC ATTEMPTS TO PREVENT LEAKS OF INFORMATION  
ON ITS DIRECT EXPORT PROGRAM, AND THE SPECIFIC

FIGURES PROVIDED ABOVE SHOULD BE USED WITH  
DISCRETION.  
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## Message Attributes

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